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### Cromwell Advertisement

60 Families waited on for orders, and Bread regularly delivered in all parts of the district.

## Cromwell



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**FREE TRADE BUTCHERY,**  
(Wholesale and Retail).

JAMES DAWKINS - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Beef, Mutton, Veal, Pork, Hams, Bacon, &amp;c., always on hand.

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BEEF, BY THE QUARTER, 3½d per lb.

**CROMWELL BUTCHERY**  
(WHOLESALE AND RETAIL),

OWEN PIERCE - PROPRIETOR.

A supply of Meat of all descriptions always on hand, and sold at the Lowest Prices.

KARL PRETSON,

**COACH & GENERAL PAINTER,**  
etc.,

Has now PAPERHANGINGS, PAINTS of every description, GLASS, and MOULDINGS, on Sale at Low Prices.

Contracts undertaken for General Painting, Decoration, and Sign Writing.

Buggies and Vehicles of every description painted in the best style.

Colours Prepared in any Shade required

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**BELFAST STORE,**  
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WINES, SPIRITS, GROCERIES, HARDWARE, COLONIAL PRODUCE,

&amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

JAMES HAZLETT

Begg to inform the Public of the Dunstan District that, in connection with his established business of ten years at Clyde, he has opened EXTENSIVE PREMISES AT CROMWELL, where he will be able to supply the Trade, Runholders, Farmers, and Private Families, with EVERY CLASS OF GOODS, of the very best description, at the lowest current rates.

JAMES HAZLETT would particularly mention that in the FLOUR &amp; COLONIAL PRODUCE BUSINESS he can defy competition, as in that line he is in connection with Messrs WHITTINGHAM BROTHERS, of Queenstown, who are the largest buyers in the Lake District.

J. HAZLETT, being a CASH BUYER in the Dunedin and Melbourne Markets, feels confident he can sell the cheapest and best article in the District, and invites a visit from Purchasers.

Note the address:

JAMES HAZLETT,  
CLYDE AND CROMWELL.**JULES LA FONTAINE,**  
WHEELWRIGHT,

Begg to inform the public that he has now arranged to remain in CROMWELL constantly, and that he is prepared to execute all orders and repairs with which he may be intrusted.

Premises in Cromwell:

Opposite the Bank of New South Wales.

**PLASHETTS COLLIERY,**  
(adjoining Richards's Ferry.)DAGG, PRIMATE, & BENNETT,  
COAL MERCHANTS,  
CROMWELL.

Are now supplying HOUSEHOLD COAL of very superior quality at current prices,—viz., 20s. per ton at the pit, or 32s. per ton delivered.

The seam of coal in the PLASHETTS COLLIERY is admittedly the best ever opened in the district, and the proprietors confidently solicit a share of public patronage.

Regular Customers may depend upon being kept constantly supplied.

## Cromwell

**KAWARAU HOTEL,**  
CROMWELL.

F. BASTINGS, late of the Commercial Hotel, Lawrence, having taken the above Hotel, hopes to merit a share of public patronage.

N.B.—GOOD STABLING.

BEFORE purchasing your WATCHES, CLOCKS, and JEWELLERY, call on

E. MURRELL,

and inspect his CHOICE STOCK of the above articles.

As all his Watches and Clocks are TAKEN TO PIECES, CLEANED, and ADJUSTED before they are delivered, Customers may depend on getting an article that will give satisfaction.

All kinds of WATCHES, CLOCKS, and MUSICAL BOXES cleaned and repaired.

Jewellery made and repaired.—Pipes mounted.

Observe the address:

NEXT MARSH'S BRIDGE HOTEL.

CHARLES COLCLOUGH,  
SHAREBROKER, COMMISSION AGENT, ARBITRATOR, AND ACCOUNTANT, CROMWELL.

Having arranged to devote my time exclusively to these occupations, business entrusted to my care will receive every attention.

MR H. W. SMYTHIES,  
MINING SURVEYOR AND AGENT.

Legal Managership &amp; REGISTRATION of Companies undertaken.

Office: Town Hall, Cromwell.

MR LAKE,  
SURGEON,

May be consulted at his Residence, west end of MELMORE-STREET,

(Premises lately occupied by Mr Goodger).

JUST ARRIVED,—A Large Lot of PAPERHANGINGS and FURNITURE; CHEFFONIERS, CHILDREN'S COATS, &amp;c., &amp;c.

JAMES TAYLOR,  
Cromwell Timber Yard.

## FIRE INSURANCE.

PROMPTITUDE and LIBERALITY in the Settlement of Claims; the LOWEST RATES OF PREMIUM consistent with Safety; UNDOUBTED SECURITY; and LIBERAL REGULATIONS.

MESSRS GILLIES AND STREET,  
Land and Estate Agents, Princes-street, Dunedin, having been appointed agents for Otago of the well-known and long-established Office,

## THE NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

(Established, 1797; Re-organised, 1821.)

Are now prepared to undertake the INSURANCE FROM FIRE

of every description of property, and to GUARANTEE THAT ALL LOSSES WILL BE PROMPTLY AND LIBERALLY SETTLED BY THEMSELVES, thus avoiding the delay, anxiety, and inconvenience occasioned by Agents having to consult Boards of Directors and others at a distance.

Every information as to the Society's Rates and Principles, or as to Special Rates, may be obtained free on application, personally or by letter, to the HEAD OFFICE FOR OTAGO:

Messrs GILLIES &amp; STREET, Agents.

Or of the district agents, as under:

AGENT FOR CROMWELL.

DUNCAN MACKELLAR.

CLARE—G. FACHE.

## VICTORIA FIRE AND GENERAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

CAPITAL.....£2,200,000.

I. HALLENSTEIN &amp; CO.,

AGENTS,

CROMWELL.

## Cromwell

## SUMMER DRAPERY.

Ex Otago and Hydaspes.

We are now opening out

37 PACKAGES OF DRAPERY, specially suited for the Summer Season, which have been personally selected and bought for CASH, and will be disposed of at VERY LOW PRICES to suit the times.

Our new Stock comprises all the latest novelties from London and Paris. Being too varied to particularise, we enumerate only LEADING LINES.

Ladies' Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats, in Dolly Varden, Mandarin, Neilson, and Sydney,—all newest shapes.

Girls' ditto.

Ladies' Dresses in Silks, Mohairs, Grenadines, Muslins, Merinos, Prints, &amp;c. &amp;c.

Ladies' Chemisettes, Ties, and Sleeves,—a great variety.

Sunshades,—all kinds.

Ladies' and Children's Underclothing.

&amp;c. &amp;c. &amp;c.

Men's and Boys' Clothing, in immense variety.

THE LARGEST STOCK OF DRAPERY ON THE GOLD-FIELDS.—AN INSPECTION INVITED.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,  
Drapers and Importers.

WINES. SPIRITS. GROCERIES.

IN Order to meet the increasing requirements of the district, we have opened out in the above lines. By purchasing for CASH, and keeping the best class of goods obtainable, and selling them at reasonable prices, we trust to receive a share of patronage.

BRANDY—Hennessey's in case and bulk

RUM—best Jamaica

WHISKY—Lorne Highland

Dunville's, Islay

PORT WINE—Offley's four grape

SHERRY—Gonzalez's four diamond

COLONIAL WINE, GENEVA, OLD TOM, GINGER WINE, CORDIALS, BITTERS (various), &amp;c. &amp;c.

GROCERIES of the best quality, in

Teas, Coffees, Sugars, Candles, Soaps, Raisins, Currants, Sauces, Oysters, Salmon, &amp;c. &amp;c.

I. HALLENSTEIN & CO.,  
GENERAL IMPORTERS,

Cromwell, Queenstown, Arrow, and Melbourne.

## NOTICE.

WE, the undersigned, beg to inform the inhabitants of the Cromwell, Alexandra, and Clyde districts that we have appointed

I. Hallenstein and Co., Cromwell,

As our only AGENTS for the sale of our Silk-dressed

FLOUR, BRAN, AND POLLARD.

We guarantee all Flour branded with our name, and obtained through the above agents.

ROBERTSON & HALLENSTEIN,  
Brunswick Flour Mills,  
LAKE WAKATIP.

## CROMWELL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

The Reading-room is open to Subscribers on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays.

The Library contains an extensive variety of Books in every department of literature; and about £60 worth of New Works is expected to arrive shortly from Great Britain.

All the Provincial Newspapers, and a number of English Papers and Periodicals, are regularly received for the use of Subscribers.

Annual Subscription, £1 1s; Half-Yearly 12s 6d; Quarterly, 7s 6d.

## NOTICE.

POISON for DOGS will be laid on MOUNT PISA STATION on and after this date.

I. LOUGHNAN.

Mount Pisa, 12th May 1870.—27th

## Bannockburn

WILLIAM SUTHERLAND & CO.,  
(Late of Logantown),

GENERAL BLACKSMITHS &amp; FARRIERS,

Beg to intimate to Mining Companies and the public generally that they have removed to

QUARTZVILLE, next to HAZLETT's Carrick Range Hotel, where they hope, by strict attention to business and reasonable charges, to merit

a share of their patronage.

## Bannockburn

## STUART'S FERRY,

KAWARAU RIVER.



Main crossing-place between Cromwell and the Nevis for Waggon, Drays, Horses, and Foot passengers.

Children attending School, Free.

## THE FERRY HOTEL

Has first-class accommodation for Travellers.

BANNOCKBURN HOTEL & STORE,  
DOCTOR'S FLAT, BANNOCKBURN,

(On the Main Road to the Nevis).

GROCERIES, CLOTHING, BOOTS, and HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES of all descriptions kept in Stock.

The Goods, being obtained DIRECT from Dunedin, are retailed at the LOWEST POSSIBLE PRICES.

N.B.—Good Stabling, Horse Feed, &amp;c.

The new Ferry being now OPEN FOR TRAFFIC, the Public are invited to cross the Kawarau River on the

BEST PUNT IN THE PROVINCE, which is on the direct road to Bannockburn, the Nevis, and the Carrick Range Reefs.

John Richards - Proprietor.

BANNOCKBURN TIMBER YARD  
AND CARPENTER'S SHOP.

JAMES TAYLOR,

CROMWELL TIMBER AND IRON YARD,

Begg to inform the Residents of BANNOCKBURN NEVIS, POTTERS, &amp;c., that in order to meet the increasing requirements of those districts, he has opened a Branch Establishment at Doctor's Flat, opposite Mr Richards' Store.

A good supply of TIMBER and IRON for Building and Mining purposes always on hand.

Best Material and Workmanship Cheap for Cash

CARRICK RANGE HOTEL,  
QUARTZVILLE,

(In the immediate vicinity of the Carrick Reefs.)

THOMAS HAZLETT - Proprietor.

Having purchased from Mr JOHN M'CORMICK the above well-known and centrally-situated Hotel, I am now in a position to offer first-class accommodation to all who may favour me with their patronage.

The Premises are fitted up and furnished on the most complete scale, regardless of expense, and the arrangements for the comfort of visitors and travellers are second to none in the district.

COMMODOUS BILLIARD ROOM,

fitted with one of Julius Paser's full-sized tables

An excellent SIX-STALLED STABLE on the premises, and a careful groom always in attendance.

125

T. HAZLETT.

## BANNOCKBURN COAL MINE

J. SMITH,

COAL MERCHANT,

Having obtained a lease of the above well-known Coal Works, begs to inform the residents at Bannockburn, Carrick Range, Bendigo, Kawarau Gorge, and throughout the district, that he is prepared to SUPPLY (in any quantity) COAL of excellent quality at 12s. per ton taken from the pit's mouth or, delivered, 1s 9d per bag and upwards according to distance.

### Life Among the Mormons.

Mark Twain supplies the following:—It is a luscious country for thrilling evening stories about assassinations of intractable Gentiles. I cannot easily conceive anything more cosy than the night in the salt Lake City which we spent in a Gentile den, smoking pipes, and listening to tales of how Burton galloped in among the bleeding and defenceless 'Moiristes,' and shot them down, men and women, like so many dogs. And how Bill Hickman, a Destroying Angel, shot Brown and Arnold dead for bringing suit against him for debt. . . . And the next most interesting thing is to sit and listen to these Gentiles' talk about polygamy; and how some portly old frog of an elder, or a bishop, marries a girl—likes her, marries her sister, likes her, marries another sister—likes her, marries another—likes her, takes another—likes her, marries her father, grandfather, great grandfather, and then comes back hungry and asks for more. And how the pert young thing of eleven will chance to be the favourite wife, and her own venerable grandmother have to sink away down towards D 4 in their mutual husband's esteem, and have to sleep in the kitchen as like as not. . . . According to these Gentile friends of ours, Brigham Young's harem contains twenty or thirty wives. They said that some of them had grown old and gone out of active service, but were comfortably housed and cared for in henery—or the Lion House, as it is strangely named. Along with each wife were her children—fifty altogether. The house was perfectly quiet and orderly, when the children were still. They all took their meals in one room, and as happy and homelike sight it was pronounced to be. None of our party got an opportunity to take dinner with Mr Young, but a Gentile of the name of Johnson professed to have enjoyed a sociable breakfast in the Lion House. He gave a preposterous account of the "calling of the roll," and other preliminaries, and the carnage that ensued when the buckwheat cakes came in. But he embellished rather too much. He said that Mr Young told him several smart things of certain of his 'two-year-olds,' observing with some pride that for many years he had been the heaviest contributor in that line to one of the Eastern magazines; and then he wanted to show Mr Johnson one of the pets that said the last good thing, but he could not find the child. He searched the faces of the children in detail, but could not decide which one it was. Finally, he gave it up with a sigh, and said, 'I thought I should have known the little cub again, but I don't.' Mr Johnson said further that Mr Young observed that life was a sad, sad thing—'because the joy of every new marriage a man contracted was so apt to be blighted by the inopportune funeral of a less recent bride.' And Mr Johnson said that while he and Mr Young were pleasantly conversing in private, one of the Mrs Youngs came in and demanded a breast-pin, remarking that she had found out that he had been giving a breast-pin to No. 6; and she, for one, did not propose to let this partiality go on without making a satisfactory amount of trouble about it. Mr Young reminded her that there was a stranger present. Mrs Young said that if the state of things inside the house was not agreeable to the stranger, he could find room outside. Mr Young promised the breast-pin, and she went away. But in a minute or two another Mrs Young came in and demanded a breast-pin. Mr Young began to remonstrate, but Mrs Young cut him short. She said No. 6 had got one, and No. 11 was promised one, and it was "no use for him to try and impose on her—she hoped she knew her rights." He gave his promise and she went. And presently three Mrs Youngs entered in a body and opened on their husbands a tempest of tears, abuse, and entreaty. They had all heard about No. 6, No. 11, and No. 14. Three more breast-pins were promised. . . . That is a specimen,' said Mr Young. 'You see how it is: you see what a life I lead. A man can't be wise all the time. In a heedless moment, I gave my darling

No. 6—excuse me calling her thus, as her other name has escaped me for the present—a breast-pin. It was only worth twenty-five dollars—that is, apparently that was its whole cost—but its ultimate cost was inevitably bound to be a great deal more. You yourself have seen it climb up to six hundred and fifty dollars—and, alas, even that is not the end! For I have wives all over this territory of Utah. I have dozens of wives, whose numbers even I do not know without looking at the family Bible. They are scattered far and wide among the mountains and valleys of my realm. And mark you, every solitary one of them will hear of this wretched breast-pin, and every last one of them will have one, or die. . . . Shade of Nephi! you don't know anything about married life. I am rich, and everybody knows it. I am benevolent, and everybody takes advantage of it. I have a strong fatherly instinct, and all the foundlings are foisted on me. Every time a woman wants to do well by her darling, she puzzles her brain to cipher out some scheme for getting it into my hands. Why, sir, a woman came here once with a child of a curious lifeless sort of complexion, (and so had the woman,) and swore that the child was mine and she my wife, that I had married her at such-and-such a time in such-and-such a place, but she had forgotten her number, and of course I could not remember her name. Well, sir, she called my attention to the fact that the child looked like me, and really it did seem to resemble me—a common thing in the Territory—and, to cut the story short, I put it in my nursery, and she left. And, by the ghost of Orson Hyde, when they came to wash the print off the child it was an Injun! Bless my soul, you don't know anything about married life. It is a perfect dog's life, sir—a perfect dog's life. You can't economise. It isn't possible. I have tried keeping one set of bridal attire for all occasions. But it is of no use. . . . My friend, take an old man's advice, and do't encumber yourself with a large family—mind, I tell you, don't do it. In a small family, and in a small family only, you will find that comfort and that peace of mind which are the best at last of all the blessings this world is able to afford us, and for the lack of which no accumulation of wealth, and no acquisition of fame, power, and greatness can ever compensate us. Take my word for it, ten or eleven wives is all you need—never go over it.'—Some instinct or other made me set this Johnson down as unreliable. And yet he was a very entertaining person, and I doubt if some of the information he gave us could have been acquired from any other source. He was a pleasant contrast to those reticent Mormons."

SIX RULES IN IRRIGATION.—Mr W. S. Powell, Tulare Co., Cal., says:—"Having large practical experience in irrigation and constructing canals, I purpose giving some conclusions, drawn from 16 years' observation of the results of artificial moistening:—1. Construct your main ditch from the source of water supply to the land to be irrigated, sufficiently large to carry all the water you want, giving it a grade of not less than eighteen inches, nor more than six feet to the mile, depending upon the size of the ditch and the soil through which it runs. 2. Construct your lateral ditches so as to command the highest part of your land, for it is a maxim in this business that if you thoroughly irrigate the high places, the low ones will take care of themselves. 3. When you irrigate, do it thoroughly; wet the ground at least eighteen inches deep. 4. After irrigating, always (except it be grass or grain land) stir the surface soil as soon as its condition will permit. This is imperative if you wish to enjoy the full benefit of irrigation and enrich your ground every time you water it. 5. Don't irrigate too much; a thorough wetting every three weeks, where there is no rainfall, is amply sufficient. Too much irrigation causes a spindling, unhealthy growth. 6. For gardens, small fruits, &c., irrigate under the surface by means of covered tiles or boxes, and you will see a growth on poor soil that will far surpass the growth of the richest land unirrigated. I have been experimenting the last five years on this peculiar system of irrigation for gardens and small fruits, and know it to be a thorough success. Any person having a small bit of land and the command of a little water, can have a certainty of a crop, and bid defiance to the seasons."

### Thieving Mania.

Dr Gall mentions having seen a person in Friburg, who had set fire to his house four times in succession; and who, after he had set fire to it, tried to put it out. Some have an irresistible desire to steal, without any mark of insanity. Gall says that the first King of Sweden was always stealing trifles. Instances are mentioned of a German who was constantly pilfering; and of another who, having the desire to steal, entered the army, hoping the severe discipline would restrain him. But he gave way to the propensity even there, and was very near being hanged. He then became a friar, with the same hope; but he still felt the same desire, and carried all the things he could to his cell; but as he could only get trifles, he was not noticed. Gall also mentions that a person at Vienna, in the habit of stealing, hired a lodging in which to deposit his thefts, and when he got a stock he sold them. He stole only household matters. The wife of a celebrated physician at Leyden never went into a shop to buy anything without stealing; and a countess at Frankfort had the same propensity. Another lady, notwithstanding the care with which she had been brought up, had the same desire to pilfer. And you will find it related of a physician, that his wife was always obliged to examine his pockets in the evening, and restore to his patients the things she found there. He always took something as well as his fee. Merritz speaks of a criminal who, at the moment he was about to be executed, stole the confessor's snuff-box. Dr Burner, who was one of the physicians to the King of Bavaria, speaks of a person who enjoyed abundance, and had been well educated, but who, notwithstanding, was always stealing, and was made a soldier by his father, and at last got hanged. The son of a celebrated and learned man—himself very clever, and respectably connected in every respect—could not resist this propensity; and I could go on to furnish you with instances without end of individuals who have acted thus (as it would appear) from insanity—not from any criminal motive, but from a blind desire too strong for them to resist.—*Dr Elliotson.*

### Terrible Colliery Explosion.

A shocking catastrophe occurred on October 7th, at Morley, a place, half village half town, situated midway between Dewsbury and Leeds, and containing a large population of colliers. The largest among the colliery-works is that of Messrs W. Ackroyd and Brothers, who employ nearly 400 men and boys. On Monday afternoon, between half-past three and four o'clock, an explosion occurred in one of their three mains called the Deep Pit, and in which about 150 men and boys were employed, in a part of the working which extends in a northerly direction beneath the town, and in this portion of the colliery there were about forty-five persons at work. When the news became known, people thronged in thousands to the scene, and among them were many hundreds who had friends and relatives below ground. Their agony was painful to witness. No time was lost in organising a body of volunteers to descend and explore the mine, but the operation of these brave fellows was retarded very much by the presence of the fatal after-damp. The excitement at the mouth of the pit was intense when the party of explorers having descended, the cage was sent up with the first man, George Barrowclough, who was only slightly burnt. After a short interval, George Preston, of Gildersome reached the bank in a very critical state. Just as he was removed, the cage brought up the body of a boy, Thomas Broadbent, of Morley, who, besides having his skull smashed, was terribly burnt and cut, it is supposed by being dashed against the coal through the force of the explosion. When the exploring party came up for relief at six o'clock, they gave a fearful account of the sight which had met their gaze underground. The work of recovering the dead had subsequently to be carried on very slowly, owing to the presence of fire-damp in the pit, and to the fact that a great deal of material had also to be sent down for the purpose of erecting temporary means of securing ventilation. As rapidly as possible, however, the work progressed, one of the explorers stating that at one spot he stepped over no less than thirteen dead bodies. Several of the men who were brought up were in a state of partial insensibility from the choke-damp, but after

restoratives had been applied were able to communicate particulars of the accident. One of them, named Levy Hargreaves, states that in his drift nineteen men were employed, six or seven of whom were dead. As the bodies were recovered, they were removed to a large room in the Royal Hotel. The explosion has been more disastrous than was at first anticipated. It seems that thirty-four deaths have already resulted from the accident.

### Chinese Brandy and Gin.

The Chinese, with all the cunning characteristic of what our fathers called "the subtlety of Easterns," manage to keep, like the witches in "Macbeth," the words of promise to the ear and break it to the hope, so far as Custom-house officers are concerned. They import spirits of a more potent and deadly kind than any other spirits sent into Australia. They have a drug which is called Chinese brandy, and which is imported by them, and sold without license. It is a brandy more destructive to the stomach and liver and brain of Europeans than any of that stuff which a virtuous Victorian Government draws a revenue from. The brandy is a spirit similar to rum in its appearance, imported in bottles of English manufacture, and these protected by envelopes of English straw, with the peculiarity only that the straw envelopes are worked transversely, instead of perpendicularly, as European ones are. This brandy is a spirit prepared from rice, carrying with it no evidence of its having been rectified. An analysis shows that it contains, as shown by the Chinese, 30.6 in the 100 gallons of proof spirit, and if divested of its saccharine matter it shows 5 per cent. more. It also contains a very large per centage of opium, and its effects are more stupefying than mildly intoxicating. It is taken by the Chinese in minute doses, and invariably forms with them a preliminary dram to the opium pipe. They sell it, however, cheaply, and many young Europeans, of both sexes, imitating the Chinese habits in drinking it, imitate them only in that act, paying no regard to quantity. The result is a new type of drunkenness in young people, which puzzles thoughtful magistrates, fills watch-houses and gaols, and is breeding a new type of criminal among younger Europeans. The Chinese also import a spirit which they call gin, but which is pronounced by old Indians to be very bad arrack. It contains 33.9 of proof spirit, and is also largely mixed with opium. Its effects are much more intoxicating than the brandy, although the stupor it induces does not last so long, nor does it seem to have the same serious after-effects which are invariably the result of the other. An examination of one of the so-called bottles of gin showed that it was, although elaborately got up, evidently bottled in Melbourne, in an old porter bottle corked with an old cork which had previously done duty in one of the quart bottles containing "Byass's Porter," that name being on it, and capitalised with about half an ounce of resin, all of which unmistakably showed that the evil thing had been imported in bulk, and prepared for sale in Melbourne.—*Telegraph.*

GRASS FOR HORSES.—Many persons think that horses that are kept in stable all summer should not be allowed to eat grass. They think it will make the horse soft, wishy-washy, and that it will throw him out of condition for hard work. This is particularly the case with some of the trainers of trotting and running horses. And horses that are kept up for farm and other work are refused grass because their drivers think they will not eat hay so well. This was formerly the case more than it is now. But these are erroneous opinions and practices, and are giving way, gradually, to a more reasonable and natural system of feeding. Grass is the natural food for the horse. It is cooling and healthy food. It keeps the bowels open and sharpens the appetite. It promotes digestion, and removes fever from the system. Therefore, by all means, let the horse nip grass fifteen or twenty minutes daily. Whether training for trotting or running it will be attended with the highest benefit. The horse will lose none of his speed by such a course of treatment. Horses that are kept up the year round for farm work should certainly be allowed a nice nibble at grass every day. They work hard, and all they get for it is something to eat. Let them have, then, what they like so well.—*Rural World.*



**CROMWELL WATERWORKS.**

TENDERS are invited for the following works:—

1. CUTTING RACE.
2. MAKING WOODEN RESERVOIR.
3. LAYING PIPES.

Plans and Specifications to be seen at my Office.

Tenders must be in by the 2nd inst., at 7 p.m.

H. W. SMYTHIES,

Cromwell, Dec. 24, 1872. Town Clerk.

**NOTICE.****BANK OF NEW ZEALAND.**

**A**N AGENCY of the above Bank has this day been opened in MELMORE TERRACE, CROMWELL.

ROBT. M'OWEN, Agent.

Cromwell, Nov. 25, 1872.

**NIL DESPERANDUM Q. M. CO., REGISTERED.**

A CALL of TWELVE SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE on Shares numbered 1 to 1200, and of TWO SHILLINGS AND SIXPENCE on Shares numbered 1201 to 1400, has been made, and is PAYABLE on 27th December 1872, at my Office, Cromwell.

CHAS. COLCLOUGH,

Legal Manager.

**DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.**

**NOTICE** is hereby given that the Partnership hitherto existing between the undersigned as COAL MINERS at Bannockburn, under the style of "LOGAN & SMITH," has this day been dissolved by mutual consent. The business will in future be carried on by JAMES SMITH, who will receive all debts due to, and pay all debts owing by, the firm.

Cromwell, THOMAS LOGAN

Dec. 16, 1872. JAMES SMITH.

Witness to both signatures:

D. MACKELLAR.

**£1 REWARD.**—STRAYED, from Cromwell, about a fortnight ago, a Light Chestnut RIDING MARE, star on forehead, blaze down face; branded KJ on the off shoulder; also branded on near shoulder. Last seen going towards the Dunstan. Any person delivering the mare at the Cromwell Hotel will receive the above reward.

ROBERT KIDD.

**NEW SUMMER GOODS**

AT

**LONDON HOUSE!**

CROMWELL.

**W. TALBOYS** begs to call attention to his

**NEW STOCK OF DRAPERY,**

Just opened out, for the

**CHRISTMAS SEASON,**

COMPRISING

ALL THE CHOICEST NOVELTIES

IN

**DRESS MATERIALS!**

LADIES' TRIMMED HATS

IN ALL THE NEWEST SHAPES.

Large selection of Maltese and Honiton

CHEMISETTES & COLLARS.

**CLOTHING DEPARTMENT.**

Particular care has been devoted to the selection of suitable and seasonable goods for this department, which will be found replete with all the newest styles in

MEN'S SUMMER SUITS

MEN'S TROUSERS AND VESTS

BOYS' SUMMER SUITS

BOYS' TROUSERS AND VESTS

YOUTHS' SUMMER SUITS

YOUTHS' TROUSERS AND VESTS

ALPACA & HOLLAND SAC COATS

WHITE AND CRIMEAN SHIRTS

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J. SIMPSON, Sec.

**THE** Business Firms in CROMWELL having agreed to CLOSE their respective Places of Business on NEW YEAR'S DAY, the Public are requested to OBSERVE SAME as a GENERAL HOLIDAY.

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**BIRTHS.**

At Marsh Cottage, Cromwell, on the 22nd inst., Mrs ALFRED COOK, of a son.

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**Cromwell Argus,**

AND NORTHERN GOLD-FIELDS GAZETTE.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1872.

Three of the Carrick Range quartz companies have cleaned-up since our last publication, with the results as stated below, viz:—Elizabeth, 120 tons, 49ozs.; Colleen Bawn, 84 tons, 123 ozs.; Star of the East, 130 tons, 134 ounces.

We have received from Messrs Letts, Son, and Co., the well-known stationers, of London, an illustrated catalogue of their manufactures and publications. The cover of the catalogue in question is printed by a new process, called "Rainbow Printing." By this method, any number of different colours may be printed at one impression, and in any design, however fanciful or complex. The advantages of the new style of working are, the great beauty of the colours, the rapidity of production, and its comparative cheapness. The process is an invention of Messrs Letts, and has been patented by them. It is assuredly calculated to occasion quite a revolution in colour printing, which has hitherto been accomplished only at great expense, and a sacrifice of time and labour. Messrs Letts deserve the thanks not only of the printing profession for their invention, but of all those in business, or in any way interested in the progress of art. It affords us pleasure to bear testimony to the uniform excellence of the numerous productions of this world-renowned firm, although such testimony is hardly needed: their works are widely known, and speak for themselves.

An invitation ball, under the auspices of the Cromwell Kilwinning Lodge, takes place at the Kawarau Hotel to-night.

Mr A. R. Mackay, District Surveyor, has kindly furnished for publication the following particulars of the finding of a moa's egg in the sandy ground on the north-west side of the township:—"I found it on the 27th of November, partially imbedded in and completely filled with sand. It measures seven and a half inches in length, and five and a half inches in diameter. The shell is about an eighth of an inch thick, and is broken on the smaller end, where I think the young moa must have escaped from its prison. This is the second moa's egg found in Cromwell, and the sixth found in New Zealand." [The foregoing was received too late for insertion in our last issue.]

The weekly mail service between Cromwell and Nevis commences next Monday.

**CROMWELL JOCKEY CLUB RACES.****ANNUAL MEETING.**

In most people's minds, the weather is the single consideration likely to determine the success or otherwise of a race-meeting. In this respect, the first day was, to use a rather hackneyed expression, everything that could be desired. Old Sol shone out in the morning with a brilliancy that had the effect of raising everyone's hopes to the highest pitch, and in the afternoon a breeze reigned just mild enough to leave the dust in peace, and strong enough to temper the heat of the sun's rays. The consequence of this happy harmony between sun and breeze was that all enjoyed themselves to the full, and the day was rendered one of the most pleasant and agreeable ever experienced on the Cromwell Course. On the second day, the prevalence of a higher wind caused the dust to rise in very disgusting quantities, often completely hiding from view the racing horses, and giving the unlucky jockeys, on their arrival at the winning post, an appearance to be more easily imagined than described. The attendance on the Course was quite up to the average, although fewer visitors than usual were present from the neighbouring districts. The first day brought out the most numerous assemblage, doubtless owing to the enticing nature of the weather. Five hundred, perhaps, would be about the number present. It seemed to be the general opinion that the meeting would stand a most favourable comparison with any former one as regards the ripeness of money. We frequently heard it remarked that never before on the course had so much money been seen in currency as on this occasion. Whether this state of thing was induced by the presence of the "betting men," or whether their presence was induced by an intuitive anticipation of the state of things, it is difficult to say; but certain it is that they put in a stronger muster than ever previously. Most people have a firm conviction that this class are by no means conservators of turf morality, or that their patronage of a race-meeting is at all a guarantee of "good sport," or legitimate racing. And this meet of 1872 will not lessen or disturb the conviction in men's minds. Dishonest running perhaps did not occur; but the racing was of a very mediocre character—the sport was decidedly "bad." Except the Jockey Club Handicap and the Hail Race, no single event was even decently contested. The Handicap mentioned, however, was a first-class race, and was run out-and-out on the respective merits of the different horses.

The tribe of men—for so they may be called—who come from nowhere to every meeting, and go back again only to re-appear next year as noisy, as dirty, and as cajoling as ever—who, in fact, seem to be ubiquitous and amenable to no change in manner, voice or appearance—and whose main object is to make money under the guise of affording amusement, were fairly represented; and apparently they succeeded in effecting both objects with a reasonable degree of success.

The Grand Stand and Booth were occupied by Mr John Marsh, of the Bridge Hotel; and, judging by the enormous throng affected by most people, his venture must have been attended with considerable profit. The unwonted experience of sixpenny drink on the race-course was a welcome one to thirsty souls; and the unfortunate bar-tenders were nearly "worked off their feet" dispensing liquor and taking the money for it. The drink consumed on the first day would certainly show a wonderful average on the part of the consumers. The Stewards displayed a praiseworthy attention to their duties, and we were pleased to notice that a less interval than usual was allowed to elapse between the events. Mr Joseph Harding was in his accustomed position in the judge's box; Mr James Dawkins once more filled the office of starter; and Mr Owen Pierce, as of yore, was a very vigilant clerk of the course.

## FIRST DAY: THURSDAY.

The first race of the day was the CROMWELL DERBY: a sweepstake of £5 5s.—£2 2s. forfeit.—with £50 added. Distance, 1½ mile. Colts, 8st. 10lb.; fillies, 8st. 5lb.

Mr S. Nosworthy's c c Dragon, by Ravensworth—Ladybird, 3 yrs. (R. Reay) 1  
Mr W. Fraser's b f Flora, 3 yrs. (J. Laing) 2  
Mr G. B. Bond's c g Port Philip Buck, 3 yrs. (G. Ballantyne) 3

Out of eight entries for this event, only the above three were brought in front of the starter. The race was almost a foregone conclusion for Dragon, who was far-and-away the best bred animal of the three; and, it is an old saying that "blood will tell." Flora got away with the lead, and kept it for the first half-mile. Then Reay sent the horse along-side, keeping the mare company for the second half-mile; but presently he left her a length or so in the rear, gradually increasing this to three, by which number he won with ease. The Buck was in too good company even if he had been fit, which he was not; and he was wisely taken on one side at the entrance to the straight run.

HACK HURDLE RACE: £15. Distance, 1½ mile, over five flights of hurdles. No weight less than 10st.

Mr R. Reay's b g Nigger, aged. (W. Taylor) 1  
Mr J. B. Lake's b m Pussy, aged. (J. Miller) 2

Upon the first trial, this race resulted in a dead heat. Pussy was allowed by Nigger to make the first attempt at a hurdle, and she refused. Nigger, close behind her, had to be pulled to one side to steer clear of her, and he also refused. However, Taylor brought him round pretty quickly, and over he went, with Pussy close behind. Thus they both proceeded until the third hurdle was reached, when Nigger declined. But Pussy had now settled down to the work, and she went over the remaining jumps without any trouble, although certainly in rather a shaky fashion. Taylor in the meantime was bringing Nigger along at a good pace, and though the mare was fully fifty yards ahead when she jumped the last hurdle,—which was erected in the straight running,—he managed to land his horse in front of the Judge's eye just in time to render necessary the declaration that it was a dead heat.

The run-off was won by Nigger with the greatest ease. Neither of the animals refused throughout, but the pace was altogether too fast for the mare.

A protest was entered against Nigger receiving the stakes, on the ground that he could not come under the appellation of a "hack"; but it was decided against the protester, and in favour of Nigger's owner.

GRAND STAND HANDICAP: £60. Distance, 1½ mile.

Mr S. Nosworthy's b m Malice, by Traducer—Mermid, 5 yrs, 7st 12lb. (Dorrett) 1  
Mr J. Hazlett's b g Atlas, aged, 8st 4lb. (S. Waddell) 2  
Mr R. H. Wallace's b g Boomerang, 4 yrs, 6st 10lb. (T. Cotton) 3  
Mr A. Patterson's b g Burgundy, aged, 8st 9lb. (H. Williams) 0  
Mr S. Nosworthy's b g Tambourini, 4 yrs, 9st 2lb. (R. Reay) 0  
Mr J. Hazlett's b m Brunette, aged, 7st 12lb. 0

Malice won this race just as she liked. Reay had two strings to his bow, Malice and Tambourini, and he declared to win with the mare. She took the lead at the start, was never overtaken, and won by five lengths. Atlas had the worst of the start, but he soon took up second place, and beat Boomerang at the finish by a couple or three lengths. Burgundy was a good fourth, and Tambourini came in last, hard held.

MINERS' PURSE: £15. For all Hacks. Distance, 1 mile—beats. No weight less than 10st. No horse to run that has won an advertised prize of over £15.

Mr Griffiths' Bobby Burns (G. Partridge) 1 3 2  
Mr Wrightson's Fanny ... 3 1 1  
Mr O'Brien's Major ... (D. O'Brien) 2 4  
Mr Dove's Hotspur ... (J. Laing) 4 2

The namesake of Scotland's Bard had the first heat all his own way. In the second, he got a very bad start, but was nevertheless foolishly persevered with until the finish. The third heat he again won very easily, with plenty of time to spare.

FLYING HANDICAP: £40. Three-quarters of a mile.

Mr S. Nosworthy's b m Hatred, by Traducer—Emeline, 5 yrs, 8st 8lb. (R. Reay) 1  
Mr J. Hazlett's b m Brunette, aged, 8st (C. Holt) 2  
Mr A. Patterson's c g Lyndon, aged, 9st (H. Williams) 3  
Mr D. O'Brien's b f Kate Kearney, 3 yrs, 7st 2lb. (T. Cotton) 0  
Mr J. Hazlett's b g Atlas, aged, 8st 2lb. dr.  
Mr S. Nosworthy's c c Dragon, 3 yrs, 7st 2lb. dr.

Hatred for this event was a hot favourite. Brunette also found admirers, but an unfortunate blunder which occurred somewhere at the start destroyed what chance she had of winning. Kate Kearney was doubly unfortunate. While the boy was walking her towards the starting-post, she took management into her own hands, galloping about a mile, and being stopped only when a sod wall was reached. Coming back she bolted again, and had another mile of it at a slapping pace. Then at the start, O'Brien, her owner, who was holding her head, held her at the post until the other horses had gone over a hundred yards, and until he had questioned the starter as to whether it really was a start. Being answered in the affirmative, he let her go, but of course in three-quarters of a mile her chance was gone. Brunette's jockey also was ignorant that the signal to start had been given, and pulled up with the intention of coming back. However, a liberal quantity of blessings on his devoted head by the mare's trainer, who happened to be over at the

start, sent him off at the double. But he was too late to get on level terms again with Hatred, although he managed to beat Lyndon by a length; Hatred winning by a couple or three. Unfortunately Kate managed to make her appearance only when the winner was being led back to the scales.

## SECOND DAY: FRIDAY.

MAIDEN PLATE: £30. For all horses that have never won an advertised prize of over £25. Weight for age. Distance, one mile and a half.

Mr S. Nosworthy's b m Malice, by Traducer—Mermid, 5 yrs, 9st 9lb. (R. Reay) 1  
Mr J. Hazlett's c g Wexford, aged, 10st 1lb. (S. Waddell) 2  
Mr R. H. Wallace's b g Boomerang, 4 yrs, 9st 1lb. dr.  
Mr W. Fraser's b f FLORA, 3 yrs, 7st 1lb. dr.

Boomerang and Flora being scratched, this event was virtually a walkover for Malice,—it being understood that Wexford's owner started him only on condition of receiving half the stakes. Malice led the way throughout, and won, with the greatest ease, by half a length.

HANDICAP HURDLE RACE: £30, with £2 2s. sweepstake added. Distance, 2½ miles, over eight flights of hurdles.

Mr J. Buckham's c g Sir Tatton, by Malton—Blue Ribbon, aged, 10st 7lb. (W. Gray) 1  
Mr A. Patterson's b m Maid of the Mill, aged, 9st 7lb. (W. Taylor) dist.  
Mr S. Nosworthy's b g Tambourini, 4 yrs, 10st 3lb. dr.

The scratching of Tambourini for the Hurdle Race reduced it to a hollow match between Sir Tatton and Maid of the Mill. The mare balked at the first fence, Sir Tatton being held in to let her pass. The chestnut was in splendid fettle, and cleared the jump like a squirrel. Taylor then succeeded in getting the mare over, but not without breaking down a couple of panels in the effort. Sir Tatton, excellently ridden by Gray, cleared the second and third hurdles, and then cantered round easy whilst the Maid was being tried at No. 2. The Maid, however, was obdurate and would not attempt the second jump; so she had to be brought back to the Stand without going once round the course. Sir Tatton took his leaps in fine style, and gave his rider no trouble throughout.

JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP: £100, with a sweepstake of £3 3s. to go to the second horse. Distance, two miles.

Mr A. Patterson's b g Burgundy, by Golden Grape—Betsy Martin, aged, 9st 1lb. (J. Williams) 1  
Mr S. Nosworthy's b g Tambourini, 4 yrs, 10st 4lb. (R. Reay) 2  
Mr J. Hazlett's b g Atlas, aged, 8st (carried 2lb over) (S. Waddell) 3  
Mr S. Nosworthy's b m Hatred, 5 yrs, 9st 8lb (Dorrett) 4  
Mr R. H. Wallace's b g Boomerang, 4 yrs, 7st 2lb. (Ballantyne) 0  
Mr J. Buckham's c g Golden Cloud, aged, 7st (J. Cotton) 0  
Mr W. Fraser's b f FLORA, 3 yrs, 5st 12lb. (carried 3lb over) (T. Cotton) 0

Atlas was a warm favourite for this event—for three reasons; first, because he ran second in the Grand Stand Handicap on Thursday; second, because in this race he had 4 lbs. less to carry; and third, because two of the best horses running against him—Tambourini and Burgundy—carried respectively 15 lbs. and 15 lbs. more weight than they did in the Grand Stand Handicap. The betting was even on Atlas; 2 to 1 against Tambourini; and 4 to 1 against Burgundy. Reay declared to win with Tambourini. The start was a very good one, the whole field getting away upon equal terms. Tambourini, hard held, at once assumed the lead,—Atlas coming second, Burgundy and Hatred next, and Boomerang closing up the rear. After the first mile Burgundy shot to the front, Tambourini and Atlas being then second and third. These relative positions were afterwards maintained to the finish. Coming up the straight there was a grand struggle between Burgundy and Tambourini. Both were splendidly ridden, but there was little or no whipping; the gallant steeds ran their "dead heat," and needed no persuader. After passing the distance-post, Tambourini seemed to be gaining slightly, but only for a moment: Burgundy could not be beaten, and came in a short half-length in advance of the Canterbury horse; Atlas, some lengths behind, being third; and Hatred fourth. Time, 3.53.

The next event was the

HACK SELLING RACE: £20. Winner to be sold for £20: surplus to go to Race fund. Distance, 1 mile—beats. No weight under 10st.

Mr J. Buckham's c g Golden Cloud, by Towton—Emma, aged. (W. Gray) 0 1 1  
Mr C. Colclough's b g Fenian, aged, (J. Miller) 1 0 2  
Mr W. M. Griffiths' b g Bobby Burns, aged. (G. Partridge) 2 3  
Mr J. Wilson's c g Native, aged. (H. Goodman) 0 2  
Mr H. Prince's b g Backbiter, aged. (D. O'Brien) 3 4  
Mr J. Laing's c g Spec, aged. (J. Laing) 0 0  
Mr J. Knulson's b g Black Prince, aged. (H. Partridge) 0 0  
Mr Harrison's b g Maori Chief, aged. (A. Roberts) 0 0

In the first heat Bobby Burns cut out the work, closely attended by Fenian and Backbiter. As they neared the Stand, Fenian made a spurt and took the lead, beating Bobby by a length; Backbiter, who came in third, being about the same distance behind Mr Griffiths' horse.—In the second heat Bobby again showed in front, with Fenian close up, and Backbiter, going at his best pace, in the same position as before. They raced in this order for half a mile, when Bobby and Fenian fell back, and the Cloud

and Native came up from the rear and passed the lot, the former winning easily by half a dozen lengths; Native second, Bobby third, and Backbiter fourth.—The third heat lay between Fenian and Golden Cloud. The former led to the distance-post, and there gave place to his antagonist, who won by about five lengths.—After the race, the winner was put up at auction by Mr J. C. Chapple, and was bought by Mr Greenbank, of Drybread, for £25 10s.—thus adding £6 10s. to the race fund.

CONSOLATION HANDICAP: £30. Distance, one mile.

Mr J. Hazlett's b m Brunette—by Scud—Callista, aged, 8st 4lb. (S. Waddell) 1  
Mr A. Patterson's c g Lyndon, aged, 9st 12lb. (R. Reay) 2

For this event only two faced the starter—viz., Brunette and Lyndon. The Dunstan mare was a strong favourite, and not without reason, for she carried 22 lbs. less than the son of Potentate. Lyndon had the best of the start, but was challenged and passed by the mare before he had galloped a quarter of a mile. Brunette continued to lead by several lengths until near the distance-post, when Lyndon dropped still further to the rear, and the mare won by at least twenty yards. Time, 1.52.

This concluded the day's programme; and by 7 p.m. the Course was all but deserted.

## THIRD DAY: SATURDAY.

At a meeting of the Stewards held at the Bridge Hotel on Friday night, the President stated that Mr Jolly and himself had collected on the course the sum of £17 17s. 6d. towards a Hospital Race; and Mr Marsh, lessee of the Stand, having promised to give several prizes for other races, it was resolved to announce a programme for Saturday. The weather on that day—at least until about five p.m.—was warm and pleasant, with but little wind and hardly any dust; although towards sundown there rose a gusty breeze that wafted flying clouds of fine sand across the entire flat, greatly to the discomfort of those who sallied forth to the Race-course in quest of pleasure or profit. Probably about 150 were present on the Course during the afternoon.

The first event of the day was a Private Match between Mr C. Colclough's Fenian and Mr J. Taylor's Venus, for £5 a side; distance, one mile; owners up. This match excited considerable interest, and speculation was rife as to the result. Fenian had a slight advantage in the start, but Venus quickly came up with him, and they were running almost neck-and-neck when they were lost to sight in a thick cloud of dust. When the atmosphere became clearer, Fenian was seen coming round alone, Mr Taylor's mare having perversely declined to keep on the Course, and thus spoiled her chance in the match.

The Hospital Race, three-quarters of a mile, catch weights, brought out four starters, and resulted in a victory for Bobby Burns, who won by eight or nine lengths. The following horses ran:—

Mr Griffiths' Bobby Burns (T. Cotton) 1  
Mr Colclough's Fenian (J. Cotton) 2  
Mr J. Miller's Ratty (Owner) 3  
Mr W. Taylor's Maid of the Mill (Owner) 0

Bobby Burns' jockey (T. Cotton) was afterwards presented with a riding-whip.

The principal race of the day was

THE SHORTS, of five sovs., with entrance-money (10s. each) added. For horses that have never won £15. Half-mile heats without dismounting. No weight under 9st.

Mr J. Wrightson's b m Fanny ... 3 1 1  
Mr J. Laing's Glenwherry ... 1 0 2  
Mr Butler's Bobby Burns ... 2 2

Mr J. Taylor's Venus, Mr T. Werner's Sly, Mr W. Taylor's Hotspur, and Mr J. Wilson's Nelly also ran. In the first heat Bobby went off in advance, and was never approached until between the ropes, when Glenwherry came up, and after a short struggle, won by a length. In rounding the turn into the straight run, Sly made a side jump and threw Taggart, who, however, was not much hurt.—The second heat was won by Fanny with a dozen lengths to spare; Bobby again second, and Sly a good third.—For the decisive heat, Glenwherry and Fanny came to the scratch. The former had inside place, and was first to respond to the starter's signal. Before he had covered half the distance, however, he was caught by Fanny, when he at once knocked under, and allowed the mare to win at her leisure.

The equine contests were wound up with a

HANDICAP TROTTING RACE, prize £2, with entrances (5s. each) added. Once round the Course. No weight under 10st.

Mr T. Wood's b m Nelly, 50 yds. (Goodman) 1  
Mr J. Jones's b g Tommy, scratch. (Owner) 2  
Mr Killy's c m Lucy, 50 yds. (Owner) 3  
Mr Jones's g g Charlie, 50 yds. (Partridge) 0  
Mr Marsh's b g Charlie, 300 yds. (Owner) 0

Mr Wood's mare, admirably ridden by Harry Goodman, went at a spanking trot throughout, and did not break once. She won by nearly 100 yards; Tommy second, and Lucy a good third. Charlie (the grey) and Lucy were repeatedly; and Mr Marsh's horse was only entered "for a lark."

A hundred yards foot-race between Drake (a professional runner from Westland) and Reay the jockey, in which the latter was allowed ten yards' start, was won by Reay.

Then followed a handicap foot-race, distance 150 yards, for which there were seven entries. It resulted as follows:—

Butler, 15 yds start ... 1  
Goodman, 12 yds ... 2  
Drake, scratch ... 3

Butler won by less than a foot, and Drake was a good third. The prize amounted to £2 10s. 6d.

Thus ended the third day of the Cromwell Midsummer Races.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

## DUNEDIN.

TUESDAY, 9 a.m.

On Friday Mr D. M. Spedding sold by auction 70 Heart of Oak shares at 7s. 6d. to 80s.; and 100 Nil Desperandum at 7s. 6d. The Port Chalmers Railway will be formally opened at noon to-day. An invitation luncheon will take place in the afternoon, at the University Hall.

Arrived—City of Dunedin, from Glasgow. A presentation of a purse containing 100 guineas was made yesterday to Rev. E. H. Grainger, of All Saints', who is going home. The Masoric ball to the Governor and his lady was a great success.

## ALEXANDRIA.

(From our own Correspondent.)

December 30, 1872.

The Compliments of the Season to you and your readers, and may we soon get rain! Mining matters in the district will very soon be at a standstill for want of water. On the west bank, more than half the claims are idle, those on the east bank being more fortunate. The farmers at the Wai Keri Keri valley are pulling very long faces; in fact, their crops will scarcely pay the expense of harvesting. And the same will apply to the crops at Speargrass Flat and Blacks. How many seasons like the last and this the farmers will be able to stand, I can't say; but I am very much afraid some of them would soon have to cry "a go," more particularly those who depend solely on farming.

On Saturday evening, a public meeting took place in the Library Hall, for the purpose of discussing the desirability of forming a company to place a steam dredge on the river, capable of lifting and sluicing six hundred tons per day. The whole of the dredgers in the district put in an appearance. Mr Chapple was called to the chair, and he explained the object of the meeting by stating that Mr W. Walker and Mr Gordon had called at his office one day last week, and asked him to take in hand the formation of a company to place a steam dredge on the river, those two gentlemen agreeing to invest £500 in the undertaking. Mr Chapple further stated that he had tested the feeling of the district, and had not found a single individual who did not believe it would pay handsomely. He was quite sure the capital would be readily subscribed, especially since two of the oldest dredgers on the river had promised to invest so largely. That sort of thing gave the outside public a certain amount of confidence. But he thought very little outside money would be required. The meeting discussed the best mode of arriving at the amount of capital required, the principle of the dredge, mode of washing, power of engines, &c. It was ultimately agreed that Mr Chapple should get the required information from the different foundries in Dunedin, and that he should call another meeting when he became possessed of the information. A discussion arose as to whether it would not be advisable to send to England for the machinery; but it was agreed that they should not go outside the Province for it. A vote of thanks to the chair, and further to Mr Chapple for taking the matter in hand, concluded the meeting.

On Wednesday (New Year's Day), what with the races and the ball, we expect to be very gay; and no doubt we shall all be thoroughly tired on the second day of the New Year. The members of the Clyde Brass Band have volunteered their services for the ball,—a very graceful proceeding, and one which I am sure will be greatly appreciated by the Alexandria people. I am much mistaken if the Band will not be highly pleased with the way we manage things here, though I am afraid a certain gentleman has tried his best to prejudice them against Alexandria. I feel confident the right man will put on the hat, and would recommend him never to try it on again, more particularly when the affair is for so good an object. (We were all young and foolish once.)

I am sorry to say our sporting men don't seem to hit it well this year. The handicappers are getting some hard knocks for giving Cressidore top weight in both handicaps. The mare, if she could speak, would certainly thank them for giving her weights which her owner does not intend her to carry, he having turned her out to grass, and as a matter of course our races are spoilt. I have an idea that the handicappers must be wrong in this instance, because the owner of the mare is the only thorough sportsman we have among us, and is consequently the best authority on such matters. I would suggest that the handicappers think it over seriously, and do the thing handsomely: they know what I mean.

I have been very much pleased, in the course of my travels, to hear the Alexandria beer so highly praised. With such excellent brewing establishments as the Alexandria and Cromwell ones, it must be the fault of the proprietors if they allow much of the Dunedin and Tuapeka beer to come into the market.

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## DUNEDIN NOTES.

By O. P. Q.

For the past few days the inhabitants of Dunedin seem to have fairly abandoned themselves to pleasure, and a complete cessation of business has taken place in favour of this our annual Saturnalia—for the Christmas and New Year's festivities may be looked upon as such. To inaugurate the rejoicing of this always gay season, we had on the Saturday preceding Christmas Day the demonstration in honour of the arrival of His Excellency the Governor and Lady Bowen, who came right up to Dunedin in the Government steamer Luna, and landed on Rattray-street jetty in the presence of an immense crowd of citizens and visitors from the country, amidst the most lively expressions of welcome. The city was gay with flags, evergreens, and mottoes, and the streets along which the procession wended its way to Fern Hill were thronged with a dense crowd of spectators. On Christmas Day the business places in the city were all closed, and picnic parties and steamboat excursions were the order of the day. The high wind and blinding clouds of dust which swept along the streets and country roads considerably marred the day's enjoyment. However, betaking themselves by conveyances of all descriptions to the shady nooks, fern-clad slopes, and wooded dells, in the environs of the city and suburban districts, picnic parties soon settled themselves down to the enjoyment which is always derivable from the gathering together of a few friends, whose aim is to make each other happy, and cement the bond of good-will already existing toward each other. And the many happy reunions which took place in Dunedin homes on Wednesday night, after the return from the day's pleasures, were proof of the good-will and cordiality with which our colonists regard each other in this the land of their adoption, and that to whatever extent the all-engrossing art of money-getting may have laid hold of their minds in this money-grubbing age, they can, when good-fellowship requires it of them, throw aside their everyday cares and aspirations, and allow the better attributes of their nature to shine forth in all their genial homeliness. Among the acts of Christmas charity which are worthy of notice, none should give the journalist greater pleasure in the recognition than those of Mr W. Hoskins, and of a lady—Mrs R. McLeod—the former of whom sent a large number of fat geese and fowls, and the latter a large number of periodicals, for the use of the patients in the Hospital. The Hospital patients no doubt enjoyed their sumptuous Christmas dinner all the more for knowing that their sufferings were not altogether unthought of by their more fortunate fellow-creatures, and when reading the literary contributions which they from time to time receive they are doubtless not unmindful of the kindly feelings which prompt the donors when sending the gifts. I hope that the like will be repeated in your own and other country districts. But to return to my record of holiday proceedings. Christmas Day over, ample amusements were provided for Thursday, foremost in point of attraction of course being the grand fête of the Friendly Societies, with the all-attracting novelty of conveyance to and fro by rail! Night and day the contractors had been pushing on the work necessary to be done in thoroughly finishing the line, and Boxing Day was ushered in with all the glorious splendour of a bright Summer morning, and saw everything in readiness for the trips of the engines with their long trains of carriages. By the time the first train was ready to start, a large crowd of excursionists were at the station, and His Excellency the Governor and Lady Bowen contributed additional interest to the trip by their presence. The trip to the spot selected for the fête was speedily accomplished, and throughout the day numerous trains followed, until there were probably about 3000 people on the ground. After a pleasant afternoon had been spent, the holiday-seekers were all safely conveyed to town again without accident. The Agricultural and Pastoral Society's Show at the Forbury also commanded a large number of visitors, and many of the animals exhibited were really splendid specimens of their respective species, while the implements and other exhibits were also well worthy of inspection. In the evening the Christmas pantomime at the Princess Theatre, and the daring performances of the Loyals, assisted by dramatic representations, at the Masonic Hall, attracted the usual good-humoured Christmas audiences.

The remains of the Rev. Mr Williams were interred in the North Dunedin Cemetery on Tuesday last, in the presence of a large number of the deceased gentleman's friends and members of his congregation. His loss will be severely felt, for he was acknowledged to be a man of sterling worth, and of more than ordinary ability, and beloved by all who enjoyed his friendship and society. The Rev. Mr Isitt preached in Mr Williams's vacant pulpit on the morning following his death, and the sorrow of the congregation (many of whom had not heard of the fatal termination to the accident) on hearing of the death of their beloved pastor and friend, was irrepressible. The service was a most affecting one. The enquiry into the cause of the coach accident which resulted in Mr Williams's death is to be resumed before the Coroner to-morrow (Friday), when further evidence will be taken.

Mr Vogel, and his private secretary, Mr Fox, have paid Dunedin a short visit on their way to Melbourne. It was anticipated that Mr Vogel would not come up from the Port, owing to the fact that he was suffering from his old enemy the gout, but the hon. gentleman managed the short trip, and paid us the visit.

## QUEENSTOWN.

(From our own Correspondent.)

December 28, 1872.

Christmas-time has quite changed the aspect of the town. During the past week the streets have presented a very lively appearance, owing to the influx of miners and others from the outlying districts. Yesterday and Thursday sports were held on the terrace above the town, the prizes offered amounting to something over £100. The programme comprised wrestling, vaulting, tilting at the ring, and the other games usual at meetings of this kind. The tilting attracted the largest number of competitors, who, however, did nothing extraordinary, the first-prize man only taking six rings in three rounds. Unfortunately the evening sun was directly in the line of five out of the eight posts, which in a large measure accounts for the bad scoring made.

On Thursday evening, a very enjoyable concert was given in the Town-Hall by the local Philharmonic Society. It was a decided success in every way. The proceeds amounted to £23. After the concert, Mr Eichardt gave a dance in his fine Commercial Hall in the new hotel, where many enjoyed themselves "till daylight did appear," and for a considerable time after.

The weather has been exceptionally fine during the week; in fact, for the past month there has scarcely been a shower, and everyone is praying for rain. All the town gardens not adjacent to the creek are nearly "cooked" by the excessive drought, flowers and vegetables alike being killed.

The Government expedition to Martin's Bay, sent to report upon the best route for a track to be cut, returned last week. From what I can learn no very satisfactory results may be anticipated, it being rumoured that the Government will be advised to continue the present track *via* the Lake Harris saddle (impassable 8 months in the year), instead of opening the Greenstone route, in which the highest level to be passed is 400 feet above Lake Wakatip. The settlers at Martin's Bay can scarcely be said to "live in clover." There is not an inch of open land except where it has been cleared; and, until saw-mills are started, or payable gold discovered in larger quantities, I do not see much prospect of the exiles over there making their fortunes. In the matter of "tucker," they are particularly well off just now, a steamer having called about eight weeks ago, bringing supplies of flour and tea and sugar. The thoughtful Government forgot, however, to send either ammunition, bacon, butter, or cheese, so the happy inhabitants are feasting on dry bread, potatoes, and fish. To catch the fish they have to pull to the mouth of the river and back (six miles each way), and occasionally it takes a man three or four days out of each week to catch sufficient for the seven days!

The townspeople are going in for a water-supply. There is a creek about half-a-mile from the centre of the town from which a plentiful supply could be brought at a small expense, but unfortunately one of the leading citizens has purchased from miners formerly working there, the rights to the creek-water, and intends erecting a planing-mill, woollen manufactory, and a few other trifles, and the water will no doubt come in very useful. This week a person applied to have the existing right cancelled, on the ground that the water had not been used for two years and was never intended by the present owner to be put to mining purposes. The verdict given in this case (adverse to the applicant) is only another evidence of the evils resulting from the giving of "discretionary power" to the Wardens in matters of this sort, as there was no doubt of the merits of the case when judged by the "Otago Gold-fields Regulations." The case in the form of an appeal will probably come before Judge Gray at his next sitting here. Your contemporary, the *Dunstan Times*, in yesterday's issue, contains a letter from "The Lakes" in which Mr Davis, the applicant, is somewhat severely handled. The correspondent must have copied from the *Wakatip Mail*, in which the report of the case contains many gross errors; amongst others making Mr Davis to say the Council were sometimes "screwed" when they met, an expression he never made use of, and which was probably the result of the reporter of the case having commenced celebrating Christmas-tide somewhat earlier than usual. The other part of the letter referring to the case contains a few inaccuracies, amongst others, the paragraph where their readers were informed that Mr Robertson was storing water to sluice the One-mile terraces. I believe this is the first time anyone ever heard of such being the case, and the dam happens to be placed so near the town boundary that it could only be used for sluicing town sections! To prevent any misconceptions, I would remark that "your own" is totally uninterested personally in the matter; whether "The Lakes" correspondent of the *Dunstan Times* is so, I leave the readers to judge.

Mr Powell's Family Hotel has been rebuilt in stone, and presents a handsome and solid appearance. Other stone buildings are in progress.

## MISCELLANEA.

There is a run of 24 acres 23 poles in Taranaki.

The debt of Canada in twenty years, from 1851 to 1872, has increased from 20,481,472 dollars to 126,832,008 dollars.

The Provincial Government of Auckland intend to take steps to establish a free public library in the city of Auckland.

A heavy storm took place in Melbourne on the morning of Dec. 12. A telegraph boy was nearly drowned in the street-channel.

The Hokitika races were to have been held at Christmas this year; but heavy floods have so damaged the racecourse that the meeting had to be postponed.

The movement for constructing a trans-continental railway across Australia is progressing, both in Adelaide and Melbourne, though discouraged by the Press.

The *Grey River Argus* speaks of "the unwarrantable crowding of business people into Reefton," the result of which has been the occurrence of numerous bankruptcies.

An American whaler cruising off the coast of Southland has within the last four weeks captured three whales, whose value is variously estimated at from £2500 to £3000.

John Wesley is computed to have preached forty-two thousand sermons—at the rate of fifteen a week; yet he never had a clergyman's sore throat, or a year's leave of absence with all expenses paid.

The *Daily Times* says a breach of promise of marriage case is likely to be heard shortly in Dunedin, in which a lady and her husband are to be asked to recoup the damages sustained by the lady's "old love."

A late Australian telegram says:—An important discovery of new gold has taken place near the Tarwin river, Gipps Land. Nearly all the diggers at Stockyard Creek have left for the new ground, which is reported to be fabulously rich.

The rumour that a marriage was projected between Sir James Fergusson, our future Governor, and Miss Davies, of Tasmania, has been contradicted. A late Australian telegram says the bride is to be Miss Richmond, sister-in-law of Captain Hughes, the rich Moonta mine proprietor.

A party of courageous tourists in Colorado recently ascended Gray's Peak, one of the loftiest points of the Rocky Mountains. This mountain is 24,300ft. above the level of sea, Mont Blanc being 15,800ft. The view obtained by the party from the summit is described as grand in the extreme.

With a view to encouraging the planting of shade trees in the streets, the Municipal Council of Oamaru has adopted the following resolution:—"That the ratepayers residing in the side streets be allowed to plant trees, 10ft. apart, on the line of kerbing, and to erect temporary fencing in the line of channel."

The *Southland Times* has been shown a specimen of copper ore brought from Moke Creek, in the Lake district, which seems to indicate that a vast amount of mineral wealth awaits development in the locality named. We believe that the deposit is so rich that in some places solid pieces of copper may be seen. A sample is to be forwarded to Dunedin to Professor Black, for analysis.

Immense veins of iron ore have been discovered on the banks of the Tamar, in Tasmania. The iron is said to be "the best in the world," and the supply is reported to be beyond question. Several companies have already taken up ground at this "ferruginous Eldorado," as it is termed by a writer in a Victorian paper, and operations upon an extensive scale have commenced. The question whether Tasmania will be able to produce iron so as to cut the English article out of the Australian market will be watched with the deepest interest by all the Colonies.

A touching story of faithful love comes from Philadelphia. A beautiful young girl became engaged in 1851 to a gallant officer in the Union army. At the close of the war he went to California to seek his fortune. She waited patiently for his return, feeling confident that he would come back to her. So the years passed; grey hairs began to show themselves in her brown tresses; her friends no longer ridiculed her, but pitied her as a monomaniac. Last week her fidelity was rewarded. The lover of her girlhood returned from California bronzed and bearded, a millionaire, with a wife and twins.

We learn from the *Sydney Morning Herald* that a fat man has been let off from serving upon a jury. Our contemporary says that the gentleman "sent a letter to the judge earnestly begging to be excused on account of his great weight." The stout party pathetically stated that he was twenty-seven stone weight, and could not possibly stand the fatigue of a whole day's martyrdom in a jury box. The lamentable position of the obese jurymen created some merriment amongst the case-hardened court officials, but the circumstance stated was kindly allowed to be a valid excuse by the courteous and compassionate judge.

An important matter—the sale of 10,000 acres of a run near Tapanui and Switzers, at £1 per acre to the Issac, Mr Logan—occupied the attention of the Waste Lands Board yesterday and the day before. The land was opened for sale, with Mr Logan's consent, on Tuesday; the application to purchase it was put in on Tuesday afternoon, was "received" yesterday, and it was resolved that the survey be "paid in land," which means the alienation of an additional thousand acres. On the motion of Mr Duncan, it was expressly minuted that 2000 acres of agricultural land should not be included. It did not appear whether any compensation had been given by the Government to Mr Logan for throwing open his run for sale.—*Daily Times*, Dec. 19.

The married ladies of Hannibal, Missouri, have organised a "Come Home Husband Club." Broomsticks figure among the inducements to come.

AMERICAN JOURNALISM.—There's no meeting the wishes of some people! A Connecticut editor announced that he would "Vacinate free of charge all new prepaying subscribers to his paper." A brutal fellow wrote to him that of the two he'd rather take the small-pox than the paper. According to the latest accounts that editor is looking for that fellow to inoculate him with a shot-gun.

Two practical jokers in Virginia town, who were left in charge of numerous babies on a social occasion while the mamas enjoyed a dance, changed the clothes of the little darlings and arrayed each one in strange habiliments. The mothers, after an hour or so of devotion to Terpsichorean delights, took their baby vestments and the dear little forms therein contained, and retired to their respective and once happy homes. On preparing the little ones for the crib, sexes had changed—girls were boys, and boys girls—and with one universal yell the outraged maternal set out on a baby hunt. At last accounts, almost all had succeeded in recovering the lost heirs; but the wags keep out of the way of those maternal as much as possible.—*Philadelphia Ledger*.

A correspondent of the *Oamaru Times* says with regard to the weather recently at the Maerewhenua diggings:—"It is almost invariably the case that correspondents begin their news by describing the weather; but I don't mean to attempt anything of the kind—and good reason why, it isn't to be done. The weather!—save the mark! It may be imagined, but it can't be described. To help you to understand the sort of thing we have been enduring, I may tell you that two poor diggers were the other day in search of water at one of the races to make their tea with. The second found the first watching a miserable dribbling trickling into his billy, and accosted him with, 'Well, mate, is it any use my waiting?' To which No. 1 replied, 'Well not much; I left my billy here yesterday morning, and it's not half full yet.'"

OUR NEW GOVERNOR.—From "Men of the Time," we learn that the Right Honorable Sir James Fergusson, Bart., appointed next Governor of the Colony, is the fifth baronet. He was born at Edinburgh in 1832, and succeeded to the title on his father's death in 1849. After leaving the Rugby School, he entered the Grenadier Guards, and attained the rank of Captain in 1854, but in the following year he retired from the army. He represented the County of Ayr in the House of Commons in the Conservative interest, from December, 1854, to April, 1857, and from October, 1859, to 1883; was Under-Secretary for India from June, 1856, to July, 1857; and Under-Secretary for the Home Department from the last date till August, 1858. He was then appointed Governor of South Australia, and sworn Privy Councillor.

With regard to the Chinamen employed on the Clutha railway works, the *Tueks Times* says:—"We were in error when we stated that Messrs Brogden and Co. had entirely dispensed with Chinese labour on the Clutha railway. It appears that the first batch of men were physically incapable of performing more than two-thirds of the amount of work expected, consequently they were discharged. A fresh batch of other working Celestials were engaged, the majority of whom earn £2 their wages. This last experiment proved so satisfactory, that it was determined to continue it. The incapables are being gradually weeded out, their places being filled by useful navvies. No difficulty is experienced in procuring Chinese labour, large gangs of Celestials being camped at various places along the line, waiting for employment. Thirty-eight Chinamen are now at work on the railway between Adam's Flat and Tokomaru. This number is expected shortly to be considerably augmented."

## Degrees of Heat.

A Virginia paper says they have begun there to indicate the heat by the number of times a day that people have to change their collars. Last week, it says, the weather attained a "three-collar heat." New York seems to be hottest of all. It would probably require a boxful of collars to indicate the degree of heat under which the following verses have been produced. They appear in the *New York Punchinello*:—

Oh, for a lodge in a garden of cucumbers!  
Oh, for an iceberg or two to control!  
Oh, for a vale which at mid-day the dew embryos!  
Oh, for a pleasure trip up to the Pole!  
Oh, for a little one-storey thermometer,  
With nothing but zeros all ranged in a row;  
Oh, for a big double-barrelled hydrometer  
To measure the moisture that rolls from my brow!  
Oh, that "this cold world" were twenty times colder—  
(That's irony-red hot, it seemeth to me);  
Oh, for a turn of its dreadful cold shoulder;  
Oh, what a comfort an ague would be!  
Oh, for a grotto to typify heaven.  
Scooped in the rock under catarract waste,  
Oh, for a "winter of discontent" even;  
Oh, for wet blanket judiciously cast!  
Oh, for a sofa-fountain spouting up boldly,  
From every hot lamp-post against the hot sky!  
Oh, for a proud maiden to look on me coldly!  
Freezing my soul with a glance of her eye!  
Oh, for a draught from a cup of cold pizen!  
And oh, for a resting-place in the cold grave!  
With a bath in the Styx, where the deep shadows  
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| Bad Breasts         | Sore Nipples                |
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| Bite of Mosquitoes  | Scurvy                      |
| and Sandflies       | Sore Heads                  |
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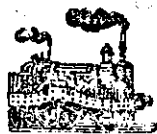
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Liver complaints	Trembling of the hands
Palpitation of the heart	and limbs
Dizziness	Impaired nutrition
Noises in the head and ears	Mental and physical depression
Loss of energy and appetite	Consumption (in its incipient or first stages only)
Hypochondria	Eruptions of the skin
Female complaints	Impaired sight and memory
General debility	Nervous fancies
Indigestion	Impoverished blood
Flatulence	Nervous debility in all its stages
Incapacity for study or business	Premature decline
Sick headache	
Lassitude	

and all morbid conditions of the system arising from whatever cause. The action of the Phosphodyne is twofold—on the one hand increasing the principle which constitutes nervous energy, and on the other the most powerful blood and flesh generating agent known : therefore, a marvellous medicine for renovating impaired and broken-down constitutions. It quickly improves the function of assimilation to such a degree, that where for years an emaciated, anxious, cadaverous, and semi-vital condition has existed, the flesh will rapidly increase in quantity and firmness, and the whole system return to a state of robust health.

The Phosphodyne acts electrically upon the organisation ; for instance, it assists nature to generate that human electricity which renews and rebuilds the osseous, muscular, nervous, membranous, and organic systems. It operates on the system without exciting cure or thought upon the individual as to the process. It moves the lungs, liver, heart, kidneys, stomach, and intestines, with a harmony, vigour, yet mildness, unparalleled in medicine.

The Phosphodyne gives back to the human structure, in a suitable form, the phosphoric or animating element of life, which has been wasted, and exerts an important influence directly on the spinal marrow and nervous system, of a nutritive, tonic, and invigorating character ; maintaining that buoyant energy of the brain and muscular system which renders the mind cheerful, brilliant, and energetic, entirely overcoming that dull, inactive, and sluggish disposition which many persons experience in all their actions.

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There is no medicine equal to Holloway's Pills for correcting the ailments incidental to females. They may be taken with safety for any irregularity of the system, as they remove all cause of maladies, and so restore, by their grand purifying properties, females of all ages to robust health.

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Asthma	Jaundice
Bilious Complaints	Liver Complaints
Blotches on the Skin	Lumbago
Bowel Complaints	Piles
Colic	Rheumatism
Constipation of the Bowels	Retention of Urine
Consumption	Scrofula, or King's Evil
Debility	Sore Throats
Dropsy	Stone and Gravel
Dysentery	Secondary Symptoms
Erysipelas	Tic Doloréux
Female Irregularities	Tumours
Fever of all kinds	Ulcers
Fits	Veneral Affections
Gout	Worms of all kinds
Headache	Weakness, from whatever cause
Indigestion	&c &c &c.

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